

Dear Colleague:

The U.S. House of Representatives House Office Building Commission (HOBC) has issued the following amendments to the smoking policy in all public areas of the House Office Buildings (Cannon, Longworth, Rayburn and Ford House Office Buildings).

Effective Monday, June 26, 2006, smoking will only be permitted in the following designated public areas of House Office Buildings:

- **Longworth Building** – Smoking is permitted in the designated section of Room B-219, located inside the north dining area adjacent to the Longworth Food Court and the 24-hour vending area; and,
- **Cannon Building** – Smoking is permitted in Room B-112, located across the hall from the Cannon Carryout.

These designated smoking areas are enclosed, equipped with code compliant ventilation systems, and are accessible at any time. Please also note that **effective Monday, June 26 2006, smoking is prohibited in the exterior areas within 25 feet of a public entrance or exit, to or from the Buildings.**

Smoking is prohibited in all other public areas of the Buildings, including: the Rayburn and Ford Cafeterias, parking garages, lobbies and foyers, hallways and corridors, stairwells and elevators, restrooms, all other food and service facilities, event rooms, committee hearing rooms, interior courtyards, and any other areas of the Buildings generally accessible to the public.

The smoking policy in areas assigned to Members, Committees, Officers, and support offices will continue to be determined by the employing authority of each office.

Should you have questions regarding the revised smoking policy, please contact the Committee on House Administration at 5-8281 (majority) or 5-2061 (minority).

Sincerely,

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